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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

It has come to our attention that various typographical errors exist in the above-referenced patent application.

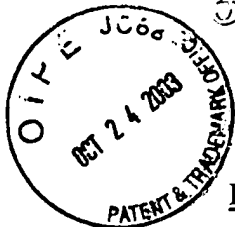
In the specification, we have noticed that we refer to Example 3000000 rather than Example 3 and request entry of an amendment to the specification to correct the error. In addition, many of the claims are incorrectly indicated to depend from nonexistent claim 0 rather than the correct independent claim. The correct dependencies are obvious from reading the claims involved and are fully supported by the specification. Please amend the specification and claims as indicated on the following pages.

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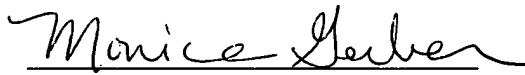
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- 1) Transmittal (1 pg.);
- 2) Preliminary Amendment (17 pp.); and
- 3) Return Postcard

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Respectfully submitted,

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